whether he has passed any examination on the subject for which he has been appointed?

PRESIDENT: Whether he has passed any examination in Tamil Short-hand or not, the member has replied that he knows Tamil Short-hand.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether there are candidates in the State who have passed Tamil Short-hand and Type-writing examinations?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I expect there are.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) May I know whether any one has applied amongst them who has passed the examination?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I have no information. I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether any one employed in the Department as Constable has passed these examinations?

PRESIDENT: You mean Constables having passed Tamil Short-hand?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*); No, Sir.

Special Muslim Vernacular Primary Girls' School at Perumathura.

247. ❋ **MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the school building of the special Muslim Vernacular Primary Girls' School at Perumathura?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know from the member what action has been taken on the petition?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): That is being answered, Sir, in the next question.

Muslim Girls' School at Perumathura.

248. ❋ **MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation regarding the dilapidated condition of the Muslim Girls' School at Perumathura in the Chirayinkil taluk;

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter; and

(*c*) whether the school is still housed in that building?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate for the reconstruction of the building has been obtained and it is being scrutinised.

(*c*) No.

The Aided Primary School at Edava.

249. ❋**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether they have stopped giving grant-in-aid to the aided Primary School at Edava in the Chirayinkil taluk ;

(*b*) if so, the reason for so doing ;

(*c*) the number of years that have elapsed since the school was started ;

(*d*) the names of schools that the boys of this school will have to go to in case this school is abolished ;

(*e*) whether they have received any representation from the people of the locality regarding their grievances against stopping this school and

(*f*) if so, the action taken thereon ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The school has only two classes and there are two other complete Primary Schools in the locality.

(*c*) 44 years.

(*d*) Kappil Departmental and Edava Muslim complete Primary Schools.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) The member for the constituency has been informed that, if the management are prepared to run a complete Primary School the question of closing the Departmental Primary School may be reconsidered.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : What is the principle observed by the Department in abolishing overlapping schools ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : The principle is elaborated at considerable length in the Education Reforms Committee Report.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*) : May I know whether the school has 40 years standing ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : I want notice for that. But I think there is no school near to it.

Village Panchayat Court at Warkala.

250. ***MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any representation regarding the opening of a Village Panchayat Court at Warkala ; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to (*a*).

Abolition of export duty on cocoanut products.

251. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the action taken by them on the resolution passed by the Legislative Council in Dhanu 1108 recommending the abolition of the export duty on the products of the cocoanut tree ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The matter is under the consideration of Government.

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